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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/780,256  
Filing Date: February 17, 2004  
Applicant: Michael L. O'Banion  
Group Art Unit: 3677  
Examiner: Katherine W. Mitchell  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FASTENING STEEL  
FRAMING WITH STAGGERED TEETH NAILS  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 11 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.